NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CJEF FUNDING WORKING GROUP OF THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION AND AGENDA

Pursuant to A.R.S § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the CJEF Funding Working Group of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission and to the general public that the CJEF Funding Working Group will hold a meeting open to the public on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

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Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Daniel Sharp

Working Group Members:

Daniel Sharp, Chairperson David Byers Frank Milstead Sheila Polk Jack Lane Elizabeth Ortiz Andrew LeFevre

II. Review Minutes of the November 9, 2019 Meeting

• Approval of Minutes

III. Discussion on Possible Funding Solutions

 Discussion of possible changes to the CJEF funding sources, changes to the funding allocation model for CJEF, or other solutions on how Arizona could fund its criminal justice activities
Information Only

Daniel Sharp

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V. Next Steps

Daniel Sharp

• Members will identify what areas they would like staff to gather further information on to shape future discussions on potential policy recommendations to the full Commission.

VI. Call to the Public

Those wishing to address the Committee need not request permission in advance. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

VII. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

• The next CJEF Funding Working Group meeting will be held on at the call of the Chairperson.

VIII. Adjournment

A copy of the agenda background material provided to Committee members is available for public inspection at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Office, 1110 West Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, (602) 364-1146. This document is available in alternative formats by contacting the Commission Office.

CJEF Funding Working Group Minutes November 9, 2016

A public meeting of the CJEF Working Group of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission convened on November 9, 2016, at the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission, 1110 W. Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, AZ 85007.

Members Present:

Daniel Sharp, Chief, Oro Valley Police Department David Byers, Director, Administrative Office of the Courts Sheila Polk, Yavapai County Attorney Jack Lane, Executive Director, Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Elizabeth Ortiz, Executive Director, Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council Andrew T. LeFevre, Executive Director, Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

<u>Members Absent:</u> Frank Milstead, Director, Department of Public Safety

ACJC Staff Present:

Tony Vidale, Deputy Director Jaime Watson, PIO/Legislative Liaison Teresa Eierdam, Finance Manager Wendy Boyle, Executive Assistant

I. <u>Welcome and Introduction of Members and ACJC Staff</u>

• There were introductions by the members of the working group and ACJC staff.

II. Review of CJEF Funding and Formula Allocation

• The working group looked at the data from AOC that correlates to the revenue going down from criminal and civil traffic citations. The group discussed looking for additional revenue sources for CJEF. Also, potentially looking at presenting to the legislature to pull out of this funding allocation and getting a straight general fund allocation for the CJEF activity.

III. How Other States Fund Criminal Justice Activities

• Executive Director LeFevre discussed that other states that he reached out to are running into the same scenario as Arizona. They use general funding; and fines and fees activities that are the same mix. Some are more general funded, fewer fines and fees, or the other direction to fund criminal justice activities.

IV. Discussion on Possible Funding Solutions

- The discussion of the use of adding a surcharge to vanity/novelty plates as an offset funding source was laid out. It is discretionary by choice and is limited for use on highways. If the surcharge monies at a modest fee are charged and substituted on what DPS is getting, it could free up the funds not written to the law for highway use and redistributed for another purpose.
- The next discussion was on surcharges for cell phones on texting while driving. The push for the hands-free ordinance would be for blue tooth or a stand for a cell phone to touch or swipe. Having laws to change behavior on cell phone texting has created issues on the distracting driving arena regarding crashes. Attaching a sale fee to a cell phone or tack a fee to the cellular carrier could again fund criminal justice.

• Discussion on a surcharge for homeowner insurance because of the uptick in residential burglaries. The data would be there, and it would be easy to track. Most of the burglaries are drug users supporting their habit. The legislation can be crafted to show that reducing burglaries could bring homeowners rates down if fees can be tacked on to support criminal justice.

V. <u>Next Steps</u>

• ACJC staff will start the research by the information from Commissioner Byers and put together a feasibility on the fees for the different areas identified and to report back to the group. The completion of the data is going to the group for identifying where we are at, the concerns, the demands, and the solutions to have a clear discussion with the legislators and lobbyists with a framework of information to layout and present at the next meeting. The goal is to present to the 2018 legislative session, and the aim is to have preliminary steps in the summer/fall of 2017 completed.

VI. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting

• The next CJEF Funding Working Group meeting will be at the call of the Chairperson.

VII. Adjournment

• The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew T. LeFevre Executive Director

Audio recording is available upon request.